

Suspected 'Yahoo Boy' arrested with human parts in Ondo

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OPERATIVES of the Ondo State police command have arrested a suspected Yahoo Boy, Franklin (surname withheld), in Ondo town, Ondo West Local Government Area of Ondo State with human parts.

Franklin (26) was arrested at Flewuro area of the town after his landlord reported at Funbi Fagun police station that he noticed strange items within the compound of the house.

It was gathered that some teenagers who discovered a black plastic bag kept in a corner in the compound called the attention of the landlord to the development, and it was found that the plastic bag contained human head.

The teenagers raised the alarm and the landlord subsequently reported the incident at the police station, while detectives from the state police command visited the house and discovered other items.

A source disclosed that when a search was conducted by the police in the rented apartment of the suspect, several other human parts and other items were found.

According to the source, other items found in Franklin's room included charms, human blood and black soaps, and he was subsequently arrested.

The source said the suspect confessed to the police operatives that the items belonged to him, claiming that they were for his protection.

The source said he claimed he bought the items from his herbalist who resides in Ikirun, in Ifelodun Local Government Area of Osun State.

"The young man used nylon to cover the human skull and kept it in his room and nobody perceived the smell because of the odour around the house.

"The policemen took the **Yahoo boy** and the items to the station and he has been transferred to the state command for further investigation," the source added.

A police officer at the division in Fagun, however, said the matter would be transferred to Akure, the state capital, as soon as investigations into the matter were completed.

The state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Funmi Odunlami, who confirmed the incident, said the suspect claimed the objects were given to him by his herbalist.

Odunlami said: "One Franklin (surname withheld), who claimed to be a photographer and own a boutique in Ondo

town, was challenged by his landlord for keeping a bag in a corner of the compound.

"The landlord became suspicious and asked the young man to open the bag, and when he did, a human skull was found.

"He was subsequently arrested. The young man claimed the objects were given to him by a native doctor in Osun State to enhance his business.

"Investigation is, however, ongoing and the suspect is in police custody."